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Dear Joshua Lederberg,

Sorry we are missing connections once more. It looks as if I shall have to see you in Stanford, which is something I hope to do in any case--if only to see how your elaborate note-answering system works.

If this note reaches you before you go abroad, please remember me to Peter Dohrn at the Naples Zoological Station. I miss Naples at this time of year.

Yes, I knew that Leonard Engel is preparing a book on biochemical genetics. My interest at this stage is merely in a series of articles addressed to an audience on medical nonlaymen. If Leonard does what I expect him to do--namely, turn out an excellent book--that will be that. If he should do otherwise, I'll write a book on the subject. The field certainly deserves such a work.

We shall see, and I look forward to our eventual meeting.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John E. Pfeiffer", written in a cursive style.